



S.CON.RES. 68 - A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE ROTUNDA OF THE CAPITOL BY THE JOINT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON INAUGURAL CEREMONIES

FLOOR SITUATION

S.Con.Res. 68 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) on February 8, 2008, and passed by unanimous consent that same day. The bill was referred to the House Committee on House Administration, but was not considered.

S.Con.Res. 68 is expected to be considered on the floor of the House of Representatives on February 27, 2007.

SUMMARY

S.Con.Res. 68 authorizes the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies to use the rotunda of the Capitol for the proceedings and ceremonies conducted for the inauguration of the President-elect and Vice President-elect of the United States on January 20, 2009.

BACKGROUND

Beginning in 1901, the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies has overseen all of the inaugural ceremonies held at the U.S. Capitol.

The Joint Committee seeks authorization to use the rotunda of the Capitol for Inaugural Ceremonies in case of inclement weather.

**Note: The January 21, 1985, inauguration of President Ronald Reagan was held in the rotunda because of extremely cold temperatures.*

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